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8. The Punjab Agro Industrial Corpn. Ltd., SCO. No. 315-316 Sector 35-B, Chandigarh	NU : LI : 976(86) dt. 27-11-86	Teh : Govindwal Dist. Amritsar (Punjab)	33000
9. M/s. Gujarat Indl. & Investment Corpn. Ltd., Chunnibhai Chambers, Ashram Road, Ahmedabad.	NU : LI : 195(87) dt. 28-4-87	Vyara Dist. Surat (Gujarat)	55,000
10. M/s. Nira Pulp & Paper Mills Ltd., 402, Raheja Chambers Nariman Point, Bombay	NA : LI : 725(88) dt. 28-11-88	Wadwadi Teh : Ukhandala Dist. Satara Maharashtra	39,000
11. M/s. Bihar State Indl. Dev., Corpon. Ltd.	NU : LI : 125(88) dt. 29-3-88	Kumarbagh West Champaran (Bihar)	50,000
12. M/s. Aurangabad Paper Mills Ltd., Mittal Tower, 17th Floor, 'B' Wing, Nariman Point, Bombay	NA : LI : 122(89) dt. 27-2-89	Teh. Paithan Maharashtra	20,000

NU :—New Undertaking

NA :—New Article

SE :—Substantial Expansion

Proposal to promote rural industrialisation

2498. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to stae:

(a) whether Government propose to promote rural industrialisation including provision of adequate funds in the State Plan for Khadi and Village industries also as reported in "The Hindustan Times" of 9th July, 1989;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) what are the financial implications in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The All India Industry Ministers' Conference held on 8th July, 1989 discussed and endorsed the suggestion that rural industrialisation should form the main thrust of the strategy for industrialisation and rural employment in the 8th Plan. For this purpose, the following important decision were arrived at :

(1) Expansion in the coverage of villages by KVI activities.

(2) Introduction of new industries in rural areas.

(3) Strengthening of the State KVI Boards.

(4) Improvement in the wages of artisans, in particular SC/ST artisans and women artisans.

(5) Coordination between the various field level agencies engaged in rural industrialisation, strengthening and streamlining the financial system.

(6) Introduction of new products, new technology and new raw material.

(7) Greater marketing support.

(8) Market oriented production strategy including design inputs, training facilities and raw material support, etc.

(9) Application of Science & Technology and retraining of artisans in outmoded industries.

(10) Provision of more outlay, both in the Central and State Plans.

(c) This will be known when Eighth Plan Document is finalised.

New Oil reserves in Cauvery basin

2499. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the "Indian Express" dated the 10th July, 1989 wherein it has been stated that there has been another oil find in Cauvery basin ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, indicating the quantity of oil likely to be explored and by when the exploration work will commence there ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During drilling, indications of zones likely to be hydrocarbon-bearing were observed in the well Adiyakkamangalam-1. The well is presently under testing and the exact nature of the find will, however, be known only after the completion of testing.

At present, oil and gas is being produced from two structures namely, Narimanan and Bhuvanagiri through early production system, at an average daily rate of 236 tonnes and 53,000 cubic meters respectively. The production from the Cauvery basin during the eighth plan period will be known only after the 8th Five Year Plan is firmed up.

Exploration for hydrocrarbons is already being undertaken in Cauvery basin.

Use of Natural Gas in Gujarat

2500. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the manner in which natural gas produced in Gujarat is being used at present; and

(b) what is the expected production of natural gas in Gujarat during the next five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Natural gas is being mainly used as feed stock for fertilizer production, as fuel for power generation and as an industrial and domestic fuel.

(b) The current production of natural gas in Gujarat region is about 4MMCMD and this is expected to increase in future. The level of increased production of gas in future will depen upon the techno-economic viability of increase in the level of production.

Setting up of industries by IPICOL in Orissa

2501. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps has been taken by the Industrial Promotion and Invetment Corporation Limited, Orissa to set up industries in that State;